



Inductively Coupled Plasma Mass Spectrometry (ICP-MS)



ICP-MS is an analytical technique used for elemental determinations and is known and used for its ability to detect metals and several non-metals in liquid samples at very low concentrations.

It offers better sensitivity than other elemental analysis techniques such as ICP Atomic Emission Spectroscopy (ICP-AES) and ICP Optical Emission Spectrometry (ICP-OES).

The ICPMS is applicable to following research areas:

- Geological - measure the trace elements / isotopes concentrations in determining origins of rocks
- Environmental – measure the trace elements in dirty/ treated water, dust in the air (trap in air filter) and soil samples
- Biological and clinical - measure the trace elements in urine or blood samples.
- Agricultural - trace metals in soils, fertilizers & feed.

It also has the capabilities to perform quantification of elemental isotopic concentration and ratios, as well as precise speciation capabilities when used in conjunction with HPLC.

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